

IN THE SPECIFICATION

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Field of Invention

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Background of Invention

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Summary of Invention

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Brief Description of the Drawings

Figure 1 contains a polynucleotide sequence comprising the *C. albicans* ERG8 gene (SEQ ID No. 5).

Detailed Description of the Invention

Please amend the paragraph at page 17, line 4, as follows:

C. albicans ERG8 can also be conveniently overexpressed in bacteria such as *E. coli*. The *C. albicans* ERG8 coding sequence is amplified by PCR using oligonucleotides containing convenient restriction sites for cloning into expression vectors such as pT7#3.3. It is particularly convenient if the initiation codon for ERG8 is incorporated

within one of the restriction sites. ~~Oligonucleotides suitable for this are shown in SEQ ID Nos. 12 and 13.~~ Oligonucleotides may also incorporate extra sequences to encode a small "tag" that aids the subsequent purification of the protein. Such tags include, for example, the "His₆" tags which may be incorporated at the N- or C-terminus of ERG8 ~~using the oligonucleotides shown in SEQ ID Nos. 14 and 15.~~ Recombinantly expressed tagged ERG8 protein can be conveniently purified by affinity chromatography purification methodology using commercially available purification kits (i.e Qiagen) (Borsig et al., Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun. 240: 586-589).